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Recently we hosted 370 ministers from 120 different churches for lunch, followed by a keynote address from Dr. Leonard Sweet (Visiting and Distinguished Professor at George Fox University and E. Stanley Jones Professor of Evangelism at Drew Theological Seminary) who spoke to us about life’s storms and how to respond. It was a thoughtful, sobering, and challenging message. As I looked over the sea of dedicated faces, I felt led to pray silently a prayer of thanksgiving for their “partnership in the gospel.”

Those who attended our Pastors’ Luncheon expressed a need to get together in unity and listen to speakers who can challenge their thinking, personal growth and outreach. We are eager to become a center for unity and academic enrichment among these partners in ministry. We will do this by bringing to our campus respected and thoughtful speakers who will help us to think biblically and challenge us to greater fruit-bearing in the family of God. On the second Thursday of each month, local pastors from the region gather for a time of prayer and encouragement on campus.

In addition to our full time work of equipping students for servant leadership in the church and society, and encouraging local pastors, God continues to open new doors for WJU to engage the community.

God has also brought numerous youth events to the campus sponsored by Youth for Christ and other ministries. Well over 1,000 young people gathered for each of the “XTREMZ” rallies during the past two Decembers. Hundreds of high school students came to our campus to use our Cross Country track last fall for practice and competition. We hosted Christian Cheerleaders Association events and indoor pole vault practice and competition.

We have hosted numerous church conferences, Wycliff Bible Society Conference, Leadership Rocklin training sessions, Pacific Forest Institute for two summers, the annual meeting of supervisors and city council members from six surrounding counties, and Christian Resource Institute. We even had The First Lady, Laura Bush, on campus for a rally attended by over 1,400 people, to encourage citizens to get out and vote during the November elections (see article, next page).

We are blessed with over 20,000 senior citizens living within 20 minutes of our campus. Many seniors in these communities are interested in connecting with WJU for volunteerism, partnerships and mentoring. Several hundred have come to WJU for noon luncheons, receive an update on our ministry, listen to student singing groups, and tour our facilities. We plan to establish a center for Seniors Inspired, a partnership ministry of significance with WJU. We plan to sponsor a Seniors Convention and will be working to engage at least 1,000 seniors in various types of partnerships and programs through the University.

Stadia, an innovative church planting organization, now has its regional office at WJU. We are continuing to dialogue with Stadia and other church planting and mission organizations in Northern California to expand a Global Center for Church Planting (GCCP) on our campus. The purpose is to inspire, recruit, equip, and send out trained church planters, globally.

We are thrilled with the accelerated opportunities to become a regional resource center for the church and our community. A center for unity, continuing academic research and development, pastoral support, global visioning and church planting, community engagement, and a gathering place for youth and senior events. When we consider that all of this has developed within the last two years, we reflect on God’s goodness to us, and His marvelous provision of land, buildings, and resources to accomplish it. And, we are just beginning to visualize all that God has planned for us!
U.S. First Lady Speaks at WJU

By Sosamma Samuel-Burnett

On November 2, William Jessup University welcomed First Lady Laura Bush to campus. The First Lady was the featured speaker for the California Republican Party’s “Get out the Vote” Rally held that evening. William Jessup University was selected as the venue for this community event.

WJU President Bryce Jessup was invited to present the invocation. Musical performances featured WJU students Natali Corrington, who sang the National Anthem, and musical group The Way.

The Rally drew over 1,400 community members and students and featured a number of California political leaders, including: California Republican Party Chair Duff Sundheim, State Senator Sam Aanested, State Assemblyman Tim Leslie, and Placer County Supervisor Ted Gaines. In addition, Maj. Eric Egland led the community in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The highlight of the evening was the focused and gracious remarks of First Lady Laura Bush. The First Lady reviewed the most pressing issues within our country and of the November elections – jobs, education, terrorism, and the war in Iraq. She encouraged everyone to set aside personal attacks and instead put energies into supporting our troops and helping our country to progress. After her remarks, the First Lady took the time to meet and greet many students and community members.

The event was a tremendous outreach opportunity and highlighted William Jessup University’s campus, students, and commitment to Christian higher education and public service.
University Fund Dinner Raises over $71,000 for Student Patrons

donned their black ties and party dresses along with “student shoes” for the 2nd Annual University Fund Dinner, Celebration of Hope, on November 11. Over $71,000 was raised for student scholarships with 282 in attendance. “We were successful in completing what we set out to do: support the University Fund, raise friends for the University, promote University programs and students, and create an event unique to Rocklin and the South Placer area,” said Kathleen Tucker, Director of University Fund.

The Academic Block was converted into a kaleidoscope of colors and lanterns for a festive venue. Student musicians serenaded the guests as they made their way on campus through a luminary-lined walkway. Simple Pleasures Catering provided a gourmet dinner, and tropical beverages were provided by Bar Masters, Inc.

Radio personality Joe Pursch emceed the evening and scholarship recipients Nick Breitbart, a WJU senior, and Tynisha Mims, a WJU freshman, moved the attendees with speeches of thanksgiving. WJU student musicians performed several delightful numbers for the audience. All of the students who participated in the evening by serving tables and performing were scholarship recipients. “Tonight is their opportunity to personally meet you, the donors, and thank you for your generosity towards their education,” said Kathleen Tucker, Director of University Fund.

“It was wonderful to meet the young people that served. The students who shared their university experience were a great blessing. I love the commitment each of them has to the Lord and doing His will. The music, too, was very special. I loved the musical entry to the dinner with the singers and guitar players, it was great. Thank you for a wonderful evening,” expressed one of the guests.

The highlight of the evening was a presentation by President Bryce Jessup of the first William Jessup University Faith and Service award to Assemblyman Tim Leslie. “Tim Leslie was one of the first persons to step forward and help us in our move from San Jose to Rocklin. He connected us with so many in the political arena, and served faithfully on a number of our advisory teams. We owe him a great debt of gratitude,” commented President Jessup.

Attendees were encouraged to participate in the event by wearing “student shoes” with their formal wear. Jerry Montgomery of Roseville won the contest for most original shoes with his “golf shoe” slippers.
The education I take with me as I leave William Jessup University this year will last for eternity, not because I was shown how to store it in my head but because I was taught how to live it out from my heart...I am not here to inform you of my experience, but to genuinely thank you for allowing me to have it. –Nick Brietbart, WJU Senior
Faculty Kudos, Presentations, and Publications

WJU faculty Jon McFarland (bible), David Beavers (pastoral ministry), Ken Logan (psychology), Les Christie (youth ministry) and David Nystrom (VPAA) actively support church ministries throughout the Sacramento area, California, and the United States with preaching, training, and seminars.

Dr. Ken Logan (psychology) and Daniel Gluck (campus ministries director) were ordained in their home church, The Rock of Rocklin. This ordination enables them to increase their ministry to students and to the community in even greater ways than before, and allows them to assist in pastoral duties at their home church and at WJU.

Rhonda Capron (business) has co-authored articles on e-sourcing and reverse auctions with her husband, Timothy A. Capron of CSU Sacramento, which will be published next year in FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin and Police Fleet Magazine respectively. Les Christie’s (youth ministry) new book from Zondervan Publishing, Gimme Five; Getting Teens Talking, Laughing, and Thinking, was just published.

Portia Hassanzadeh (general education) will present “Engaged Reading: Teaching for Transformation in the Literature Classroom” at the 2007 Hawaii International Conference on the Arts and Humanities. David Nystrom (VPAA) taught a class on the Jesus of the New Testament and the Christ of faith at the recent Association for Christian Schools Int’l (ACSI) convention in Sacramento.

In addition to her work with the California Association for the Gifted, Sherry Forkum (general education) participated in the McGraw Hill Publisher’s Symposium on Rhetoric for textbook development and serves as a reviewer for Houghton Mifflin’s online pilot program, Edspace, for composition and communication. A reader for district grants for GATE funding for the California Department of Education, Sherry also recently presented a workshop on “Generational Differences” to police officers in Burbank, California.

Liz Stanley (music) presented “Choir Rehearsal Tune Ups” at the ACSI convention and will serve as adjudicator and guest conductor at the ACSI Christian High School competition in the spring.

Les Christie (youth ministry) and Bev Wiens (psychology) share their expertise by teaching courses at other universities and seminars: Western Seminary in Los Gatos and Sacramento (Wiens); Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas; Cincinnati Christian University in Ohio; the Catholic Archdiocese in Washington, DC; and the Alliance Seminary in Manila, Philippines (Christie).

Sosamma Samuel-Burnett (public policy) spoke on current policy issues to the Lincoln Hills Republican Committee and presented The State of California Policy and Politics at Sacramento City College with Assemblyman Tim Leslie, and Elisabeth Kersten, public policy advisory members. David Llewellyn (public policy adjunct) presented Religion, Public Schools and the Public Workplace seminar at the California State Bar Annual meeting. Eric Egland (public policy lecturer) was featured in the book, Blog of War, and interviewed on Good Day Sacramento, The Tom Sullivan Show, and CNN about the military in Iraq.

Debbie Cunningham (teacher education) recently presented two workshops at the ACSI Convention, including “Integrating Character Education into Language Arts Unit Projects,” and collaborated with the visual and performing arts teachers of Rocklin School District in new course development.

The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing has invited Nathan Herzog (teacher education) to be a member of the “TPA Users Advisory Committee.” WJU is one of the few institutions of higher education to have implemented the changes required under new legislation which identifies standards and outcomes for pre-service teaching candidates.

University Receives Chamber Honors

By Christy Jewell

The Rocklin Chamber of Commerce awarded William Jessup University the Business Achievement Award for 2006 during the Business Awards Reception in December. President Bryce Jessup accepted the award before a crowd of 200 members and community leaders.

The Business Achievement Award recognizes a Chamber member who had outstanding achievement. WJU was recognized for its success since moving to Rocklin and its increased student enrollment.

WJU Business Department Chair, Roger Salstrom, and Director of University Fund, Kathleen Tucker, participated as presenters during the evening. Retiring Assemblyman Tim Leslie was also honored with a special Public Service Award.

Chamber members were solicited for nominations in six categories: Best New Business, Friendliest Business, Business Achievement Award, Community Service Award, and Non-Profit Achievement. In total, the Chamber received nearly 70 nominations in the six categories. Following those nominations, a special chamber committee narrowed the field to three finalists in each category and then voted on a winner.

“We are pleased to be able to recognize members for their excellence in business,” said Bill Halldin, Chairman of the Rocklin Area Chamber of Commerce and owner of Halldin Public Relations. “These organizations have achieved as businesses and non-profits, but also have contributed to our community.”
Christy Magnani

Selecting faculty for a Christian liberal arts university presents a three-fold challenge: academic, experiential, and spiritual. Christy Magnani, our first full-time faculty person in the Degree Completion Program (DCP) meets these three quality challenges.

With degrees from Sacramento State University (B.A. Communication/Public Relations) and Chapman University (M.A. Management), Magnani brings the required academic base for coordinating the Management and Ethics major. While her degrees serve as foundational credentials, she has gone beyond these qualifications with additional training in curriculum development, management, and accreditation orientation.

Because DCP students are working adults, the selection of faculty with appropriate experience presents a critical prerequisite. Magnani brings management and marketing experience from Bauer Industries as their Vice President for Marketing. Directing operations for a local broadcasting company provided diverse and relevant experience in advertising, public relations, personnel management and event management. Broader experience came in her role on the Executive Council of the American Marketing Association.

Magnani’s transition to full time educator came when she identified leadership, teaching and service as her strengths. After teaching part time at local community colleges, she answered the call for a full time faculty position at WJU. “I knew WJU would be a rewarding place to teach where my professional expertise and faith would be utilized. I desired to be part of an emerging, not stagnant, educational institution. I wanted to work as an educator in a robust learning environment to embolden adult learners; knowing that classroom discussions on this campus will strengthen the faith community to address a spiritually hungry world.”

A former tennis professional, Christy developed a tennis class to meet the needs of autistic children, as well as one for Girl Scouts. Eager to use her management skills in the church, Magnani has found herself in a central role in planning and leadership both in her local church and at a regional level.

WJU is pleased to have Christy Magnani as our first full-time faculty appointment in the Degree Completion Program. Her integration of a strong and growing academic background, her continuing management consulting and faith commitment provide the opportunity for our adult students to both learn from and engage with a model of what they can become. We believe Jesus’ statement, “When a person has been fully equipped, he will be like his teacher,” (Luke 6:40). Christy Magnani has stepped up to meet this University challenge.

Sosamma Samuel-Burnett

Sosamma Samuel-Burnett was hired as Chair of the Public Policy Department at WJU in July 2006. Sosamma is a Christian lawyer and policy advocate who has focused on human rights and civil rights issues at the national and international levels, particularly in the U.S. and Latin America. She has extensive experience working with policy and advocacy groups in Minneapolis, Washington DC, and California and previously worked with the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland.

After moving to Sacramento in 2001, Sosamma had a vision for developing a program that would prepare future leaders and allow Christians to make a broader impact on our world and on its issues. In 2003, the Lord provided her the opportunity to serve WJU as an Advisory Member for the Genesis Campaign. Following that experience, she conceived the Public Policy Degree Program - a unique program that combines biblical principles with the theoretical grounding of political science and practical training of public administration/policy analysis. For the next two years as a consultant to WJU’s academic department, Sosamma created the program proposal, established an advisory group, developed the curriculum, prepared the current courses, identified guest lecturers/instructors, conducted planning meetings, and coordinated outreach and recruitment events -- including the annual Constitution Day Forum (featuring former U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft in 2005 and Congressman John Doolittle in 2006).

As Chair of the Public Policy Department, Sosamma has initiated the inaugural academic year of the Public Policy Degree Program this fall. She oversees all aspects of this program, including teaching, curriculum development, recruiting and advising students, engaging guest lecturers and course instructors, coordinating events, and conducting marketing/outreach. She collaborates with other faculty members, departments, and colleges/universities for current courses and future program development. Sosamma also serves on the Faculty Senate, as co-chair of the Multicultural Education Committee, and on other academic and university committees. In addition, Sosamma advises the WJU student government and is developing a new student chapter of the International Justice Mission. Although she is a dedicated Department Chair, her principal role is as wife to her husband, Zack, and mother to her 22 month old son, Teddy.

Sosamma gives all glory to Christ and much thanks to her family and the many community members and policymakers for their tremendous support in allowing the Public Policy Degree Program to become a unique part of WJU and a distinctive means to further the Kingdom.
Friends, churches, businesses, organizations, and alumni made record setting donations to William Jessup University in the fiscal year 2005-2006 (year end – June 30, 2006). For the first time in the history of the University total donations exceeded two million dollars for three consecutive years with $2,229,297 received in FY 2005-06.

Vice President for University Advancement, Joe Womack, ascribes the record level of giving over recent years to an increased excitement in what is happening on campus. “God’s continued blessings to this University through the gifts of so many have enabled WJU to continue its growth in programs and facilities at a pace never before experienced in the life of the institution. Institutional growth can, in large part, be directly tied to the generosity of donors.”

While capital giving to the Genesis Campaign: The re-creation of San Jose Christian College (totaling $1,356,890 in FY 2005-06) continues to boost total giving, an increase in giving to the General Fund has also contributed to the record giving over the past three years. The University experienced a 12% increase of giving to the General Fund in FY 2005-06 (over that of 2004-05) with a total of $872,317 received. Gifts and bequests given to the general fund are important as they assist the University in monies for scholarships and other restricted projects that are otherwise taken from the general budget of the University.

Many of our supporting churches, who gave a total of $195,293 in FY 2005-06, are “Partner Churches” who give faithfully on a regular basis, while others have given one time gifts to students or toward special projects. They not only help with scholarship assistance, but their partnership in ministry with WJU provided experience and opportunities for students and staff through internships, mission trips and other directed experiences.

Listed here are the names of churches, businesses, and individuals who contributed financially to the University in FY 2005-06. The University wishes to thank all those listed here for making such a significant contribution to the mission of William Jessup University.

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Dear WGU Supporter,

My name is Julie McDonald and I am a senior at William Jessup University. This school has truly been an answer to prayers and a life-changing experience for me as well as for many other students. Without the scholarships that I have received, I would not be here today. I will be graduating this spring with a bachelor’s degree in Intercultural Studies and Bible and Theology. I have a heart for missions in Spanish-speaking countries and am fluent in Spanish. I am currently exploring various mission agencies that work in South America. While I am not sure exactly what comes next after I graduate, I am excited and confident that my education at William Jessup has prepared me for anything. Thank you so much for extending your generosity to bless students like myself.

In Christ,

Julie McDonald
“I will kill myself tonight and you and your Jesus can not stop me!” Peggy, a 22 year old caller from Iran on our live TV broadcast, said to me after half an hour of sharing Jesus with her, trying to stop her from committing suicide. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, I answered “You have tried Islam all your life and it has done nothing for you. Now, try Jesus for a week and if He doesn’t work for you, go ahead and kill yourself.” She agreed, and prayed to receive Christ. No surprise, trying Jesus worked. Her life was changed dramatically and she started sharing Christ with her friends, family members, and total strangers, leading many of them to Christ.

Through our 24/7 Christian Satellite Broadcasting into the Middle East and Europe, a substantial number of Iranian Muslims are coming to Christ every month. Our live two-hour daily programs have the most impact and have been instrumental in bringing an overwhelming number of Iranian Muslims to Christ over the last five years of broadcasting. Since going 24/7 last March, our Follow-up Department has been overwhelmed by phone calls and emails coming in every day, at all times of the day. Our team of three staff and 15 volunteers are overstretched by the number of requests for counseling, prayer, and Bibles. We desperately need prayer warriors and partners in our ministry.

Unfortunately, not many Christians know about what God is doing in Iran. We tend to form our opinions based on the information we get from the secular media, not knowing that there is a move of the Holy Spirit going on in Iran. The majority of Iranian Muslims have serious doubts about the validity of Islam, and many have completely rejected Islam in their hearts. The underground house churches are growing fast. Visions, dreams, healings and miracles are happening daily, just like the Book of Acts. The Lord Jesus Christ is appearing to hundreds of Muslims every day in visions and dreams.

As the president of Iran makes statements such as, “Islam will take over the world”; “Martyrdom is the highest form of art”; “Israel must be wiped off the face of the earth”; and, “We will eradicate Christianity from Iran,” Islam is losing its grip on the heart of most Iranians.

The present state of Iran is a great opportunity for the western church to make an impact in Iran and the entire Middle East. The Lord is using International Antioch Ministries (IAM), however lonely we may feel at times. We know so much more can be done. We pray the western church will soon wake up to this great opportunity and take up this challenge with us.

When my wife and I started a home Bible study in 1987, we could not imagine that the Lord would someday use us to impact the whole nation of Iran with the Gospel. The home group we started then grew to become the “Iranian Christian Church.” The mother church in San Jose has grown to 250 people, all Muslim converts. It is the largest church of Muslim background believers in the USA. The Lord has also enabled us to plant six other churches in California, Texas, and Kansas.

William Jessup University has had a significant part in our ministry. In 1989 I sensed God’s call on my life and His direction to quit my job as a Research Scientist and to serve Him full time. That is when I realized my desperate need for Bible education. As I checked San Jose Christian College (now WJU), I was pleasantly surprised to find out a mission-minded college was located so close. The multi-ethnic student body at WJU also impressed me. Dr. Bryce Jessup and other professors truly valued people of other cultures and ethnic backgrounds. Consequently, I not only received an education at WJU, but a heart for God and His Kingdom. During those trying years of my life and ministry in the early 1990’s, Bryce and other faculty members always encouraged me to trust God, not give up on my vision, and go on. I learned so much in the classes. Yet I must admit, I learned even more outside the classroom talking with faculty members, and by just observing Bryce’s leadership style. I truly count it as an honor to have served on the WJU Board of Trustees for two terms.

We must look at Muslims not as our enemies, but as casualties. We have only one enemy, and his name is Satan. The Muslims are his captives and Jesus came to set the captives free. Islam is the greatest challenge to the world right now, both politically and spiritually. The answer to Islam is not in military force – Islam thrives on violence. Rather, the answer resides with Christians who will take up the challenge to pro-ac-

“God is working powerfully through Hormoz. I remember his passion for the Lord and his desire to reach the Muslims when he was a student at SJCC in the early 1990’s. I am proud of him and his ministry.”
– President Bryce Jessup
As William Jessup University is charting a new course to become a premier Christian liberal arts university, our commitment to ministry and mission is unchanged. Central to this commitment is our Intercultural Studies major, what in years past people called “missions.”

The Intercultural Studies Program is in transition, as we are in the process of searching for a new professor of Intercultural Studies. In the interim the program is being ably led by Willard Black and Eddie Elliston. Willard is well known to the WJU community as former professor of Missions with the college and as the founder and director of the Institute for Christian Resources. Willard is serving as Professor of Intercultural Studies this academic year. Dr. Eddie Elliston has extensive experience as a missionary in Africa, holds a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction/Education and is charged with oversight of the program. We are grateful for the dedication and talent of these two men.

The range of possible vocational options for WJU Intercultural students is global in both scope and diversity. In a typical ICS class students will be preparing for ministry options such as cross-cultural church planting, international public policy, teaching in a multi-cultural inner city school, entrepreneurial business start-ups in a restricted access country or youth ministry in cities like Jakarta, Mexico City, or Los Angeles. The WJU Intercultural Studies program initiates the life-long equipping for a person to work in a traditional, modern or post-modern context. Students learn not only to look with new eyes at their own culture, but also in new ways at other religious traditions such as Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism and Secular Humanism. They learn how to communicate the gospel in contextually appropriate ways.

While the “standard” options for missions and other ICS ministries appear in the WJU catalog, when a minor in ICS is combined with other University majors the number of alternative options for church, para-church and business-related vocations will challenge your calculator. The prospects for meeting the myriads of mission-related opportunities have never been greater.

Diversity has been and continues as a hallmark of WJU graduates. Most of our alumni serve in multi-cultural contexts. As today’s students look into the future, they can expect increasing globalization in every arena of life—education, politics, economics, communication and religious expression. The WJU ICS program aims at equipping men and women to meet these global challenges with the reconciling and redeeming good news of the Gospel. Whether moving directly into service after graduation or continuing on for related graduate studies, WJU ICS grads look forward with confidence and competence to this future.
Warrior Athletics Completes Fall Season

By Aaron Muhic

The most exciting highlight of the fall 2006 sports season was the performance of the cross-country teams. Both the men's and women's squads captured the California Pacific Conference Championships. The Warrior men achieved a 10th place finish at regionals while the Lady Warriors took 11th, led by strong performances from Joe Kaufman and Sara Kelly. Coach Nick Vogt was voted the “Cal-Pac Coach of the Year” by his peers.

The men's soccer team was led all season by the scoring of Kyle Navarro (eight goals) and Andrew Koekemoer (seven goals). The Warriors scored 25 goals on the season and they finished with a 6-11 record overall, 1-6 in the Cal-Pac Conference. Jessup ended the season with a big win over Northwest Christian College (Eugene, OR) by the score of 3-1. The WJU team will lose graduating seniors Kyle Sterry, Jason McJunkin, and Kory Kraning.

Head Coach Julie Otero was able to direct the women's soccer team to a positive season by finishing with a record of 5-8-2 and 1-3-2 in conference play. The Lady Warriors were led in scoring this season by freshmen Natasha Stanley and Danielle Stanton (each with four goals). Seniors Shelby Gleason and goalie Maria May (147 saves and 3.07 goals against average) posted a banner season as they were able to help the program through the building process of competing in the NAIA. This season the Lady Warrior soccer program posted wins over Cascade College, Mills College, Northwest Christian College, and Simpson University.

The women's volleyball team endured a tough season with a majority of new players and only two returning members from last years' team. The team was able to put together a 3-14 record overall and a 3-11 record in conference. Each of the WJU seniors set records in the following statistical categories and were honored accordingly. Ashley Johansen set school records as a four year letterman in matches played (62), games played (115), and digs (168). Becky Mogle set the single season record in service aces (29) and is currently second in solo blocks (11) and total blocks (26). Lauren Galindo set school records in total blocks (32) and solo blocks (14). Next season head coach Steve Neptune will step aside as Jessica Pistole, this years' co-head coach, will take over the reigns as the head coach.

Congratulations to all athletes on an excellent season of fall sports as William Jessup University continues to “Champion Christ through Sport.”

Student Satisfaction Survey

‘We love WJU faculty and believe this is a place that cares about us!’

By Paul Blezien, Vice President for Student Development

Students at WJU feel very strongly about the quality of instruction they receive and have a high degree of appreciation for our faculty. According to the results of the Student Satisfaction Inventory (SSI) administered in the spring, students also feel a deep level of care and concern from our faculty and staff.

William Jessup University was one of 400 private colleges and universities that participated in the SSI, a survey which asks students to rate various aspects of their educational experience in terms of both their satisfaction with and the importance they place on each aspect. WJU rated highly when compared to other institutions as a quality university that cares for its students.

Because of the widespread use of the SSI, we are able to compare the responses of our students with those of approximately 285,000 students from other four-year private institutions. Since more than 70% of the students in our traditional program participated in the survey, the results are reliable and allow WJU leaders to focus on the issues that are most pressing.

How has WJU responded to student opinion? The two most pronounced areas of frustration for our students - parking and student service - are fairly common. In response to strong dissatisfaction with the parking situation on campus, we spent approximately $20,000 to increase parking capacity by 35% and to enhance the lighting in parking lots. Students clearly experience the care of our staff, yet sought more services. We have conducted meetings with staff and students to determine how to best provide excellent service, and have added staff and resources in the Registrar and Financial Aid offices to help address those concerns.

We anticipate similar responses from our adult Degree Completion Program this fall when DCP students will be surveyed through an instrument similar to the SSI, the Adult Student Priorities Survey.
Alumni and Former Student News

1943
Mary Kendrick informed us of her husband Jack’s passing away on October 18, 2006. Jack was able to attend the Grand Opening of the Rocklin campus in 2004 and even took part in the ribbon-cutting ceremony. Mary lives in Chico, CA.

1948
Geneva (Smith) Swartz wrote that her husband, Jack, went home to be with the Lord on October 28, 2006. Jack and Geneva were married in 1959 and Jack worked for many years at Utah Power and Light Co. The Swartz’ are long time supporters and friends of the University.

1967
Ted Bjorem, lives in Australia where he is working with Creation Ministries International. He had previously served in the areas of leadership training among Aboriginal people, served as a school chaplain and ministered at a local church. He and his wife, Julie, have two children.

1971
Karen (McAtee) Livingston and her husband are now living in Boise, ID, after having lived in Juneau, AK for over 20 years. They have three grown children.

1982
Steve and Barb La Farge (Stedman, 1983) have just completed 15 years of ministry at Pasco First Christian Church in Eastern Washington. Their two sons, Michael and Jason are currently enrolled at WJU which makes 11 Stedman/La Farges to attend the college.

1990
Richard Lee and his wife, Debbie, currently live in Filabusi, Zimbabwe where they have been missionaries working with AIDS orphans through Botswana Zimbabwe Christian Mission. They can be reached at makaphela@gatorzw.co.uk.

1993
David Park and his wife, Anna (Kim - 1992) live in San Jose, CA and have two daughters, Eileen and Christine. Anna works as a Marriage and Family Therapist and David serves as a pastor in San Jose.

1995
Joe Novelo and his wife, Jill, plan to move to Brazil in early 2007 to continue their work with Missionary Resource Network. MRN provides missionaries with communication, logistical, financial, and educational resources that will strengthen, empower, and equip them and those they serve.

In Memoriam
Jack Kendrick, a graduate of SJBC’s first 4-year degree program, passed away on October 18, 2006.

Art Overby, a longtime friend and supporter of WJU since its early days, passed away in October 2006 at his home in Napa, CA. Art spent many hours assisting with campus projects and maintenance, and provided generous financial support to student scholarships. He is preceded in death by his wife, Thelma, in 2005.

Mark Your Calendars for Reunion & Graduation Weekend!

It is time for all Alumni and Former Students of SJBC/SJCC/WJU to come celebrate all that the Lord is doing through WJU!

On May 11, 2007 we will have a dinner and program to reflect on the past and look to our future.

Come join classmates from your decade for a great time of food, fellowship and fun.

More details will follow! RSVP early to Faith Pasqualini at (916) 577-1800 orfpasqualini@jessup.edu

Send us your news! Go to www.jessup.edu and sign up in the Alumni Directory, or write: Alumni Office, William Jessup University, 333 Sunset Blvd., Rocklin, CA 95765
Upcoming Events

Visit [www.jessup.edu](http://www.jessup.edu) for a schedule of Chapel speakers

**Baccalaureate & Alumni Program**
May 11, 2007

**Commencement**
May 12, 2007

**New Student Orientation**
January 13-16, 2007

**Warrior Golf Classic**
June 15, 2007
Timber Creek Golf Club
Contact Kathleen Tucker
(916) 577-1811 or ktucker@jessup.edu

**Spring Classes Begin**
January 17, 2007

**Preview Day**
February 15, 2007
Contact Katrice Hernandez
(916) 577-2222

**Spring Break**
March 12-16, 2007

**Spring Music Concert**
April 26, 2007
7:30 PM in the Academic Wing

** Finals Week**
May 7-10, 2007